

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/826,078  
Filing Date: April 16, 2004  
Applicant: Hrabanus Hack et al.  
Group Art Unit: 1791  
Examiner: Jason L. Lazorcik  
Title: Flame Hydrolysis Process for the Manufacture of Glass Bodies  
of Doped Silica Glass  
Attorney Docket: 4965-000180

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed December 3, 2007, and contemporaneous with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and include a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.